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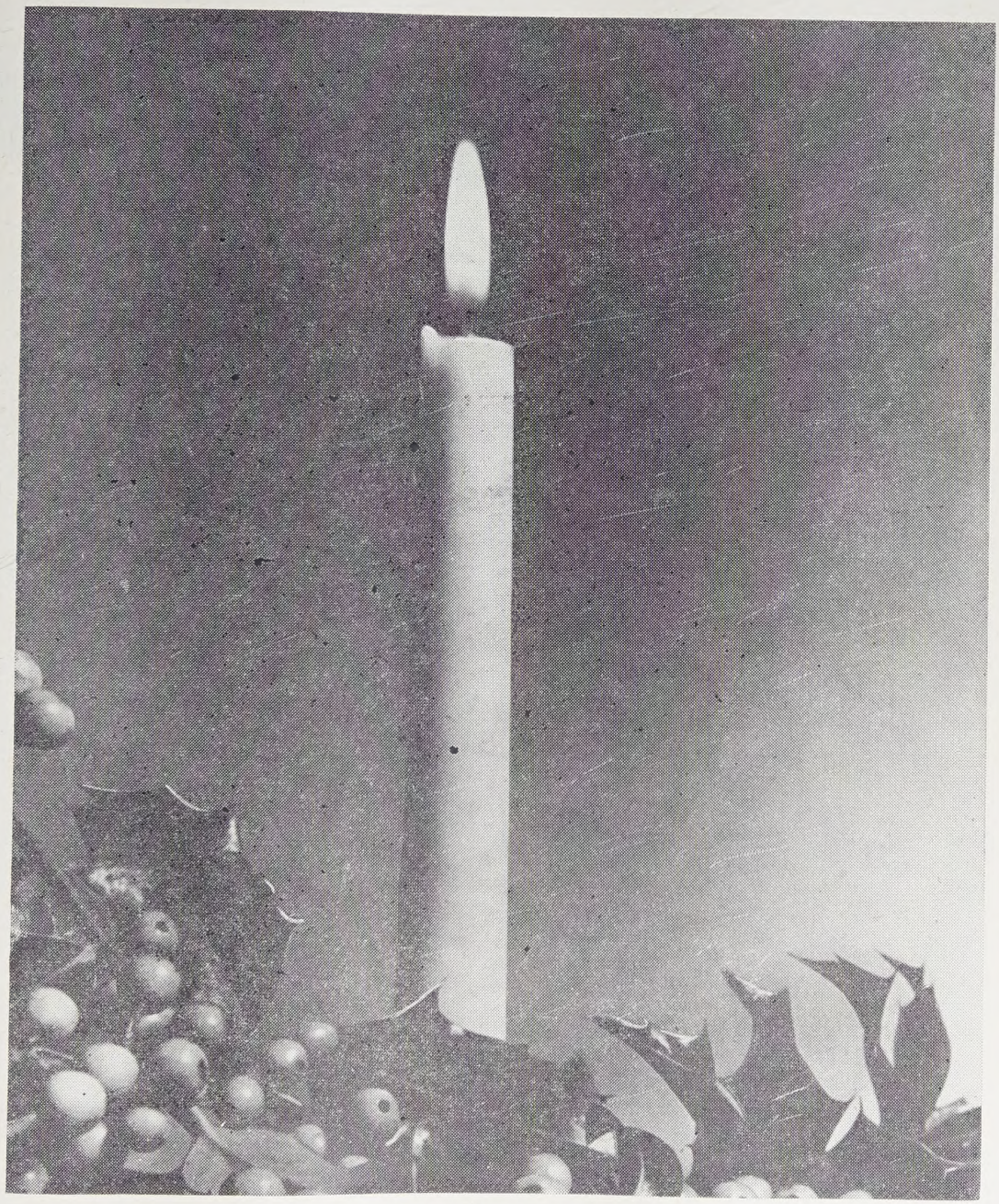

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. . . Unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

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Is Exciting to Die

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Evangelical Lutheran Church is on the way to h. It may live only four to six years longer. With it die three other church bodies, the American Lu- an Church, the Lutheran Free Church and the ed Evangelical Lutheran Church.

his is the second death in the memory of our older ch people. In 1917 the Hauge Synod, the Norwegian d and the United Church died jointly to give birth new church, The Evangelical Lutheran Church, vn then as the Norwegian Lutheran Church in erica.

om a Church of some four hundred thousand mem- this body has grown to include a membership year of about one million people. What these three es made possible by their death which could not been achieved by their continued separate lives it t possible to appraise. But in every visible way it is rent that the Lord has blessed it richly.

is an exhilarating thing to watch the four bodies ur present union negotiations as they labor to die. who have been privileged to work on the union mittee, mildly reluctant as we are to face the end ie warm and familiar patterns of our own groups, nonetheless stirred deeply to watch emerging into the pattern of a new life with its promise for r and richer associations; and, we believe confident- roader and deeper opportunities for service to our .

may seem strange that ever since our birth in 1917 ave been flirting with the hope and probability of w death. Every association with sister Christian ps is indeed a witness to the fact that if it be in best interests of the Church of Christ to give up one for a more fruitful one, we are willing to take the and if need be surrender our synodical life. If in s providence these four churches give up their to form a new Church, it can be safely predicted the new Church will instantly be on the search for a new death. Certainly not until we have become one Lutheran Church in America will this quest of death and birth be over; and, even then, within the broader concept of the One, Holy Christian Church, we will be under continued mandate of the Lord to seek ways and means to express in visible forms the true unity of the Body of Christ within the one Gospel which creates it.

One Third, Two Thirds, or Three Thirds

In 1950 the Lutheran family in America was constituted by three groupings of almost equal size, the United Lutheran Church of America, the Synodical Conference and the American Lutheran Conference. We had belonged to the latter group since its organization in 1930. For two short years, from 1950 to 1952, the five bodies of the American Lutheran Conference, worked together on documents of merger. In 1952, one of the bodies, the Augustana Lutheran Church, elected not to continue, affirming that if they were to die they would desire the emerging new church to be inclusive of at least two thirds of the Lutheran family. Grieved to lose their conference companion of two decades, the other four bodies have, however, continued their death march these three years, believing that the eventual consummation of a union of three-thirds of American Lutheranism will be best served at present by the union of one third of the family into one church.

Other Bells Are Tolling

There are more than four deaths and one birth in tomorrow's emerging day. Other bells are tolling too. For over a third of a century we have had increasingly pleasant and fruitful fellowship through the National Lutheran Council with other members of the Lutheran family. These relationships we confidently expect to presage other deaths and other births. Even now, parallel

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Understanding Human Need

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(The Third of Three Articles)

The needs of a baby and an octogenarian are similar, and they are similar to yours and mine. We are all human. The alcoholic father of five, the boy brought in for stealing a woman's purse, the high school senior girl pregnant out of wedlock, the mother verging on mental illness, the breadwinner crippled by arthritis, they have the same needs as you and I—only in different combinations and differing degrees.

You and I and these people
Intensely want to survive
Intensely want to be loved
By God
By Humans.

You and I and these people
Need to feel a sense of our value, worth, and dignity
Need to make choices and decisions of our own
Need to discover, learn, experience new things
Need to express something and create something
Need to accept limits as well as authority
Need to feel secure as part of a larger whole
Need to believe and feel that we belong
With Humans
With God.

The Greatest of These

But would you agree that the need to be loved, liked, valued . . . this need is somehow immeasurably the greatest. I mean that it is so fundamental that we really cannot measure it. It is because our need for love is so great that love's value is so great!

Pascal said it something like this: Measure all the world's *things*—they are not worth one *idea;* measure all the world's ideas—they are not worth *one single act of love.*

Pascal said "act of love"—he did not say doctrine, theory, feeling, sense, intention, hope, attitude—he said *"act of love."* Through our agencies we are doing "acts of love" for children, older people, and sick people whom we call clients. Certain specific "acts of love" are known as agency functions. But love is the core of the Christian witness. It gives grace and beauty to Christian life and congregational activity—seven days a week—twelve months a year.

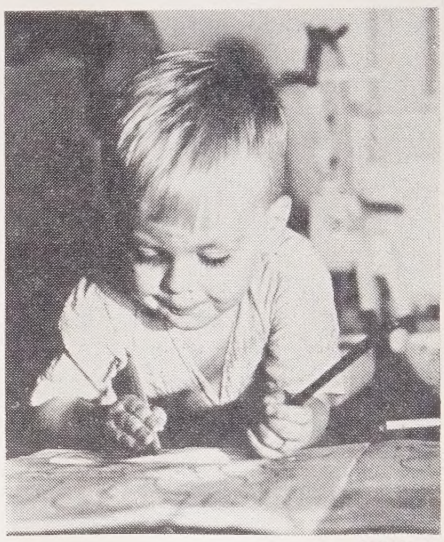
A Lutheran church official, after completing a tour of many congregations, recently said he was convinced that we must find a way of developing relationships of consideration and love for each other. He had observed such bickerings, and resentments, and snipings that he called for a priority on re-discovering our discipleship and witness through "acts of love."

A Hidden Heresy

Is there a heresy hidden away in our theology? told of a devout old Lutheran who died with words, "I have believed on Christ my Savior; have never done a good work!" The old Puritan argued that "good works" were impossible everything is predestined.

Some Lutherans feel "good works" are ir because they cannot save us. But Luther calle works the proofs of faith. Some Lutherans toda faith at $10 and "good works" at 10c. But Luthe them two sides of the same dollar!

Why did Luther write his *Treatise on Good* Because he recognized that "Justification by might acquire, as its corollary, the doctrine that



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Works Are Unnecessary." He tried to forestall showing how each of the commandments bids u "acts of love," that is, "good works." But this d of Luther was never to flourish and gather streng bear fruit like his other teachings. Perhaps it mi one contribution of this conference to re-emp Luther's concern for human needs as a primary fu of the Christian congregation.

The Art of Meeting Human Needs

My favorite Luther quote says that just as a b fire *must* give out heat and light, so a living f Christ *must* give out good works. No, we cannot our theology if there is a lack of love in our live

"Good works," "acts of love," "love one anot these are not central experiences in our Luther ganizations and congregations today. They have placed in departments and divisions. They have institutionalized. Boards make budgets to keep within limits. Promoters keep charity alive. W

ost the art of noticing human needs in the circles round about us.

Common sense tells us we must have these structures for orderly charitable work. But common sense also tells us that over and above the human needs which we are meeting through our direct agency services, there are thousands of other families whose unmet needs are day by day moving them toward tragedy. In these homes deprivation of children gradually deepens. Then desertion, separation, divorce—or endless civil war. When shall we begin to use professionally trained chaplains and social workers in new ways in the Church?

For instance: in helping congregations to help people; in helping church groups to help "misfits" and "outcasts"; in helping pastors to reach the unreached teenagers.

A Strange Country—Flatland

There is an old story about a strange country called Flatland. Everything is flat. All the people are flat, bounded by lines enclosing areas, in place of surfaces enclosing volumes as in our three dimensional space. They live in houses which have lines for walls. The people enter into relationships with each other in this strange, flat way. They can turn right or left, go backward or forward, but for them there is no height or depth. Their existence is paper-thin, and checkerboard flat.

The children described by Dr. Bowlby were nurtured in a spiritual Flatland. They were prevented from entering and enjoying the third dimension of kind, good, warm, friendly, motherly affection—seen, heard, felt in a real helping, holding, and hugging mother.

I talked to an old man on the lawn of a home for the aged. It was a splendid home. It cost a million dollars. The shrubs were trimmed. The grass was green. But something about the old man brought to my mind Elijah's lonely cry, "It is enough, O Lord, now take away my life—now let me die for my days are but vanity."

Suppose we step back a few paces from our agency functions and look at the whole life of our Church. There may be more deprivation than we think. There may be unmet needs that we can help interpret. There may be new ways of meeting them that we can help create. Perhaps new forms and patterns of action will emerge. We social workers and chaplains have studied human needs. We meet the needs of a few selected clients, very select, very few.

I thought I saw a little patch of Flatland one evening in a church basement. The Sunday school superintendent concluded a teacher training session on the miracles of Jesus with these remarks: "The children next aren't learning their lessons, we'll have to get tougher with them—especially on the memory work."

Love is not taught, it is sensed, felt, imitated; it is communicated by acts of love—it is *experienced* in relationships with others. It is a case of "learn to do by doing."

Is the wonderful, radiant, happy love of our Savior Jesus being *experienced* through warm and friendly teachers—teachers who love children and understand their needs? How many children have to search for the love of Jesus in the Flatlands of the printed page, the workbook, and the flannelgraph?

In a charming youth room in a wonderful parish house, which incidentally has marble steps, I heard one teen-ager turn toward his youth leader and say, "Your God is too small! He's not a Policeman or a Manager." God is the helping, kindly, friendly Jesus, who was man enough to understand one by one the great human needs of people and help them personally to handle the great issues of life.

We can be translators. A professor of theology helps his students translate the words of the Gospel out of the Flatland of the Greek page into the saving experience of Christian faith. Social workers, chaplains, and pastors can do much to help Christians translate God's love out of the Flatland of Faith, Creed, and Doctrine into the living bread and wine of Christ-like concern for understanding and for meeting human needs.

This we must do, for we are *living*—in the Communion of Saints.

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The Lighted Village at Advent

Wanda Wa

Because a retired mailman was lonely for the daily contact with people on his mail route, a miniature stone village graces the corner lot of his Clintonville, Wisconsin, home. But most important in this group of Lilliputian buildings is the church Julius Spieth has built with his own hands, every bit of it. It is a very nice church. However, you can't go inside to pray or meditate because it's only about two feet tall, including belfry tower. The church, which has real stained glass windows, like the rest of the buildings is made of good, solid stone, has a sturdy foundation and a shingled roof guaranteed against leakage, and is wired for electricity.

The village was begun with this church—a replica of Shawano's St. James' Lutheran Church. Now it has a store, a hospital, library, school, post office, a city hall with a police station and a jail. It also has a fire department, a street department and another church; this one a replica of the St. Martin's Lutheran Church of Clintonville which the Spieths now attend. Beginning with the Advent season the little village is lighted until after New Year's day as a devotional act. It makes a lovely sight.

Interest—the Year Round

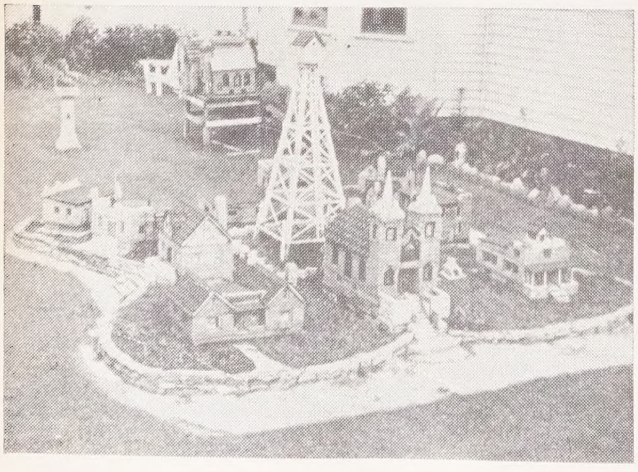
Although most of the interest in the vicinity is centered on the miniature village at Advent time when it is lighted, there is still considerable interest shown by visitors who stop to admire the village, ask questions, and pass the time of day with the elderly Spieths.

This is all to Jule's (as he is better known) lik since that was the main reason he built the village a his retirement in 1945 as rural route mail carrier Shawano County. He likes to have folks to talk He likes to explain to them how each of the buildi is made.

Jule works on the buildings, adding to them little little during the winter months only. During the su mer he spends most of his time working in his gard so he can be on hand, too, when visitors stop.

Occasionally, Jule makes a building or a church u request and sells it for about $50. A conspicuous "S Sale" sign hangs from the belfry of a little chu nearby that was ordered but never called for. E building is made of limestone with strips of red b inserted, which gives it a sort of log-cabin appeara Regular roofing materials, all discards, are used roofing and are cut into tiny shingles, while the stai glass in the church windows came from an old rui church in Shawano. Sometimes a mischievous c tries his hand at pushing one of the small buildi but finds that it is heavily anchored. In fact, each the buildings is so sturdy as to be impervious to kinds of Wisconsin weather.

The little miniature village can safely remain for m years to come as something of a monument to the kin Julius Spieth's skill with stone. But more important will be remembered for keeping the little village ligh at Advent time.



The miniature stone village of Julius Spieth. Each of buildings is wired for electricity, and is kept lighted f the beginning of Advent until after New Year's Da

The Lady and the Manse

can never figure out what caprice of human nature ings folks to the parsonage for a lengthy visit just ter I've been so swamped with extras in church, hool, and other affairs, that I've had to let the house- ork slide to its lowest possible ebb! But let me have e time and energy to get everything slicked up so it most hurts to look at it, and then they *never* come! Oh, well, a famous psychiatrist stated that children e happiest in cluttered homes—and I can tell you that e are a mighty happy family!??!!

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"It's a good thing God doesn't have us save coupons r salvation!" said neighbor Marcia Brende as she mped a basket of wastepaper on a late bonfire. "I'm ays saving the silly things until they've expired, so ey never do me any good. But, you know, a lot of ks treat God's promises like these coupons, don't ey? So they never cash in on His grace."

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"Aw ya, it's funny about the choir," marvelled Old an Monson. "They can sure get by with some high- ned talk in those anthems, but I guess the music is hat puts it over. Now some of these preachers can ng the same big words around and they just lose uch with us out in the pews.

"Of course, the harder some preachers are to under- nd, the more inspirational they're supposed to be," ntinued the old rascal. "The trouble is, their sermons t so high-falutin' that we can't follow them up to herever they are, 'cause they just don't say where they ent!"

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Big Paul finally got rid of the sticks and stones we cked up on our trip last summer. "That's the way it ways goes," he groaned. "You and the kids drag all is junk in the front door, and I have to haul it out e back!"

Well, nobody said he had to, but we've gotten wise to s campaign against our pack-rat tendencies, and had is summer's haul quite well hidden until a few mis- ps bared our secrets. JoAnn got a run in her nylons m a gorgeous rock in her lingerie drawer. Julie woke complaining about her lumpy bed, so her Daddy g out nine rocks and a curvy stick from under her attress. The next night Small Paul tried to reach a x on his top shelf, so his big-hearted Dad came to e rescue, grabbed the wrong box and tipped a shower stones on his head. Nobody said a word. Not a word!

What our revered papa doesn't know is that when he went to Brotherhood that night, we sneaked out and rescued the most precious pieces, which I then worked into a harvest arrangement with wheat and pampas grass. When he came home, he exclaimed, "Saaaaaay! That's really stunning!" Nobody said a word. Not a word!

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Our organist, Abby Jensen, was sick last Sunday, so we had a substitute who made the rest of us sick, because she turned out to be one of these people who think that to show some "life," you have to play everything *fast*. She completely missed the moods and varied spirits of the hymns, and slammed them all out like an organ grinder—and we felt like the monkeys!

It's not that there's any merit in the draggy shall-we-go-on-with-this-or-die-right-now? style of singing; but it's equally "killing" to make jump-tunes out of our powerful chorales.

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There are so many fearful Christians and cautious congregations, that one marvels often at how God's Kingdom can progress in spite of such lack of faith and zeal. Perhaps each church should have a sign posted on each pew, reading, "A man sits as many risks as he runs!"

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Grandpa Galen says that a common error in congregations is to suppose that the loudest complainers for the Church, are the most concerned about its welfare.

"I've always noticed," he says, "that there are a few professional critics in most every parish. Some seem to feel they have to prove their interest or piety by picking at the program, and others their authority by kicking . . . so I figure—come Judgment Day—that there might be a few mules in the herd when they start separating the sheep from the goats!"

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On the way home from Ladies' Aid, I heard Grandma Jane murmur, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." Then she asked, "Why don't newspapers give as much space and wild headlines to slander or back-biting, as they do to murder and theft?"

She has something there—except that there might not be enough paper nor ink to accommodate all the transgressions. Even in our churches, folks who wouldn't be caught dead killing or stealing think nothing of

ripping to shreds the life and witness of a fellow member by malicious gossip and fault-finding.

In God's eyes there is no difference in these three crimes. In fact, reading Luther's Large Catechism on just the Eighth Commandment, proved so convicting that I felt like turning in my membership in the human race . . . until I remembered from Scripture, "It is the Spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing," and "Not by might nor by power, but by my Spirit, saith the Lord of hosts."

Who else has a God like ours? He not only has made laws for our complete happiness, but will also help us to keep them . . . if we'll let Him!

Little Julie came home quite disgusted one day. "All the kids at school wanted to talk about when Teacher talked about Thanksgiving, was turkeys and punkin pie. Tommy and Gene started a fight 'cause Tommy said it was s'posed to be cranberry pie, and Gene said any dummy should know punkin pie went with Thanksgiving. But I told them any dummy should know that Thanksgiving is *not food!*"

Pastor Paul says there are frightening numbe souls who aren't "in the know" about Thanksgi For example, why do so many people evaluate blessings on the basis of what they've received c comparison with the lesser lot of others? Wh miserably small concept of gratitude!

Suppose everyone compared (honestly now) blessings with their own shortcomings, then they n begin—just begin—to glimpse the vast goodness of Truly, if we were blessed on our merits, we'd nothing—stark, dark nothing—and be deservin punishment besides.

We have nothing and are nothing, except wha breath of God so marvelously maintains, for He breathed Life eternal into our hell-bent hearts, sus us by His grace, and will return us to our "native through Jesus Christ, for whose Advent we wait..

"Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good His mercy endureth forever."

"How shall I give thanks unto the Lord? I will the cup of salvation."

PASTOR

The Romance of Home Missions

E. M. H

Some years ago a book was published entitled, *The Royal Road to Romance,* by Richard Halliburton. Those who read the account of the daring exploits of this intrepid world traveller will agree that the title was well chosen.

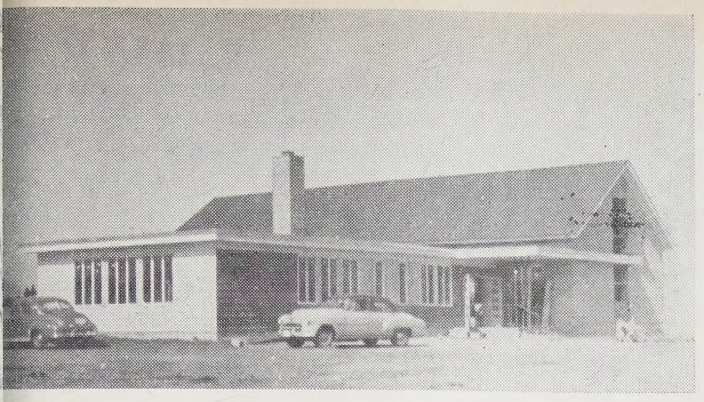
There is another Royal Road to Romance, which stretches out across the far-flung battle lines of the Home Mission fields of The Evangelical Lutheran Church. To some, that analogy might seem a careless handling of the truth. Not so to the men and women, both lay and clergy, who have been privileged to travel this King's Highway, by starting and developing new churches. This experience is characterized by such uniqueness that one feels the inadequacy of words to convey to others the deep inner satisfaction and joy which come to those who have the opportunity of laying the foundation for the Lord's work, under the auspices of the daring, faith-demanding, program of the Department of Home Missions and Church Extension of our ELC. The writer's reluctance to attempt such a task is set aside only because of the official request that has come to me to share some of the experiences I have had in the beginning of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. At best, the narrative can be a mere compendium.

I have been traversing this "Royal Road to Romance" for only five months. I set my feet upon it becau was convinced that this was the answer to my d to be found at all times within the will of God. wife and I have never doubted the wisdom of decision to become members of our great Home Mi family. It does mean a willingness to say with "Am I not a Benjamite, of the smallest tribes of Is and my family the least of all the families of the of Benjamin?" Yet, there are rewards which pre and elaborate physical equipment in themselves ca bring.

A Harbinger of Things to Come

The first service is an experience which pastor people will never forget. The anticipation, exciter and, let it be confessed, the apprehension precipit by the realization that the response by way of att ance is "a harbinger of things to come," makes it sible for us to now realize the truthfulness of a s ment made by the Rev. Herbert A. Hanson: "I sure you are looking forward to your first service something of the excitement of a child with a world of discovery."

Here at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepl our first service was held on Sunday morning, May at 10:30 o'clock. It was a beautiful day; the kind



Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Eau Claire, Wis. During work nights twice a week, members did the finishing work inside the church.

ture poets like to write about. The worshippers gan to arrive early. To get from their cars to the urch it was necessary to traverse soft, sandy terrain, even the women, who accumulated a good quantity these particles in their toeless shoes, didn't seem to nd. When the organist began her prelude at the pointed hour, every chair in our sanctuary was occud. The grand total amounted to 403 souls. There re thirty-seven children in the nursery, which was ed for by friends from Trinity Lutheran Church, so t all prospective members could attend the service. is is but one of the many fine things which have been ne for us by the sister congregations of the ELC e in Eau Claire.

believe that the majority of those present sensed stupendous significance of this occasion. There are v things more awe inspiring. It is not surprising t many eyes needed to be dried.

Sand Bur Party

e had our first social gathering a few weeks ago, on Tuesday evening. On the preceding Saturday morn-, one of the most faithful helpers was out in the k of the church with hoe in hand cutting down sand rs. I said to him: "We had better drop the finishing rk inside the church and concentrate on these pesky burs." (We have work nights twice a week.) He agreed. A few minutes later I said to him: "I've got an idea. Let's have a sand bur party." He laughed. That convinced me that the idea was a good one.

At the worship service on Sunday, announcement was made that we were going to have our first social function at the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd. They were told that they had never been to a party like it. It was going to be a sand bur party. Volunteers were wanted to help make war on these botanical pests which had invaded the grounds around the church by the thousands. Therefore, the invitation was being extended to come to the church on Tuesday evening at 6:00 P.M. armed with hoes, rakes, and forks. When the battle had been won and the enemy had been swept from the field, refreshments would be served and a time of Christian fellowship would be enjoyed.

Tuesday evening came at the close of the hottest day of the summer. The heat was so oppressive that a person did not have to be a "fair weather Christian" to feel justified in staying home. The most faithful could have done so, but didn't.

There they came, men and women of all ages, armed with the needed equipment. Some arrived in cars; others on foot. There were fifty-two adults, plus a number of children. In a few moments the church yard was

Parsonage of the Good Shepherd Lutheran Church at Eau Claire, Wisconsin.

a beehive of activity. The battle was on and in one hour and twenty minutes, the spacious grounds surrounding the church had been cleared of this pestifferous weed. As the task that might also be referred to as "operation sand bur" was being carried out, one could not see a happier group of people. Perspiration flowed freely but this moisture ran down over faces lit up with heart-warming smiles. Kindred spirits they were to those who worked with Nehemiah in restoring the wall of Jerusalem and of whom he was able to say: "So built we the wall and all the wall was joined together even unto the half thereof, because the people had a mind to work."

What an antidote it would have been for the poison that has rendered ineffective so many church people, if they could have seen a young woman, who has had to wear braces on both legs and support herself with crutches because of having been afflicted with polio during the days of infancy. Wanting to do her part, she was there working with the rest of them, a living example of the spirit of Home Missions of the ELC.

A Willing Spirit

Behind this willingness to be "present and accounted for" when there are jobs to be done, are many evidences of spiritual renewal and a return to a life of obedience to the Apostolic injunction: "Forsake not the assembling of yourselves together as the manner of some is." If we believe Jesus knew what He was doing when He put the mark up on the price tag of a human soul so high that no statistician could ever compute its value, then all the money, time, and effort put into our Home Mission churches is as wise an investment as we who are followers of Christ can ever make.

Along this "Royal Road to Romance" there are not only a few isolated instances of those who have been reactivated and set on fire for Christ and His body on earth, the Church. The story that can be told is one of a vast throng of "sinners for whom Christ died" who have become trophies of divine grace, because of the vision, daring, and intelligent planning of the Department of Home Missions. Plus, of course, the sacrificial giving and interest of those who love their heathen brothers and sisters in other lands, but at the same time have a deep concern for those who can be reached with the Gospel through the establishing of additional churches in this land.

Permission has been granted to tell of one who for many years had little, if any, interest in the Church. When the Lord's Day dawned, he did not feel as did the psalmist when he said: "I was glad when they said unto me, let us go into the house of the Lord." He came to the first service through the invitation of a friend. He has been attending regularly ever since. One evening just as I was leaving to make a call, this drove up to help with the finishing of the woody I said: "There is a man on whom I would like y work. You can speak his language. He feels he h spend Sunday doing odd jobs around the house." C as a flash came the reply: "I used to feel that wa not anymore." I then added: "In my book, Su work that can be avoided has a minus sign attach it." Without hesitation my friend said: "I know now." Then with a smile on his face, he made a ment which thrilled me to the depth of my soul which constitutes the spirit of our Home Mi Churches: "Doc, you call the signals and I'll ma hole through the line."

Even under the old "dig or die" policy of Home sions, churches were established and a vast unnumb throng were reached with the redeeming Gospe Jesus Christ and were reactivated to the point w the pastor could "call the signals," and they stood r to "make a hole through the line." It is a known that we in the ELC have a Home Mission program is as far removed from the "dig or die" policy as c is from cheese. It deserves the prayer support, m support, and financial support of every dedicated C tian in our Church.

Personally, I am proud, happy, and grateful to part of this Home Mission family. I covet for all name the name of Christ the privilege of sharin this ministry, possessed of the potential of maki mighty contribution in hastening the day when kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom our Lord and of His Christ."

It Is Exciting to Die

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with the march of the four bodies, the Augustana theran Church and the United Lutheran Churc America are moving toward union, and are becko others to join them. Within the Synodical Confer whose history The Evangelical Lutheran Church h one time shared, there is a search to express the in new and fuller visible forms. In fact, if we could hear, there would fall on our ears the medley of fu bells, heralding death to the many and the birth o one. For this is the declared and fervent hope of C tian men and women in all these churches. How this "consummation devoutly to be wished" can c will be for Providence working through our lin visions and will to determine.

Meanwhile, let us herald with joy any devout e ration of union within this Lutheran family. May speed the day when our total witness to the world have the oneness which the Lord of the Church wish.

A Banner to Raise

Harold B. Kildahl

If one likes history, he will readily appreciate the historical significance of Benagaria, Santal Parganas, India. It was to to this place, about 165 miles from Calcutta, that Skrefsrud and Borreson, pioneer missionaries from Norway, came to establish what has since been known as the Santal Mission. There, at Benagaria, is a well-established mission compound. In it one finds the old, original Skrefsrud dwelling, schools for natives, a large and beautiful Lutheran church, a seminary, and dwelling places for the professors as well as for the president of the Lutheran Church of Santal.

Some of the touring churchmen from the States had the privilege of being guests of the Rev. and Mrs. Aage Jensen of Denmark, who now occupy the Skrefsrud house. It is a large, imposing house with large rooms, high ceilings, cooled by the aid of punkas (fans suspended from the ceiling and moved by natives pulling on ropes concealed in other rooms). The veranda of the house is fully 100 feet long, with guest rooms opening to it. Lizards crept on the screens of the house —and when the shout went up from the rear of the house it was a shout of triumph by natives as they killed a crait—the deadliest snake of India for whose bite there is no antidote.

The Church Bell Rang

It was Sunday, September 4, 1955. It was hot—hot and sticky. Rain had fallen intermittently during the days and nights. It was the rainy season, a miserable time, marked by heavy air, high temperature, almost insufferable humidity, and the consequent lowered vitality of men.

Early Sunday morning the church bell rang. The call to worship was sounding through the native villages and empty market places. The bell rang briskly and long as if it were intent on thrusting its tones to the farthest possible recess, to the last native hut. The rain stopped for a bit, and from the pathways leading to the church came the natives, dressed in their best, ready for worship. Pastor Jesse Thorson of Chicago, nervous about the message he would bring this strange congregation and concerned about his translator, the Rev. Monchi Tudu, busied himself with last-minute preparations. In this setting, heavy with the accents of history, it was the privilege of American pastors and laymen to worship and to receive Holy Communion.

It was a peculiar experience. There were no pews or chairs for the natives. They sat or knelt on the grass mats that covered the floor of the church. There were potted plants in the church. All doors were open, and dogs and children went in and out freely during the service. Worship was conducted by the Rev. Aage Jensen, director of the Benagaria Station, assisted by the native pastor in charge of the parish. Pastor Jesse Thorson preached, and a greeting was extended by the Rev. Truman Tysdal. The worship continued for two hours and ten minutes. The Gospel and liturgy were the same as the Gospel and liturgy used in our own churches thousands of miles from Benagaria.

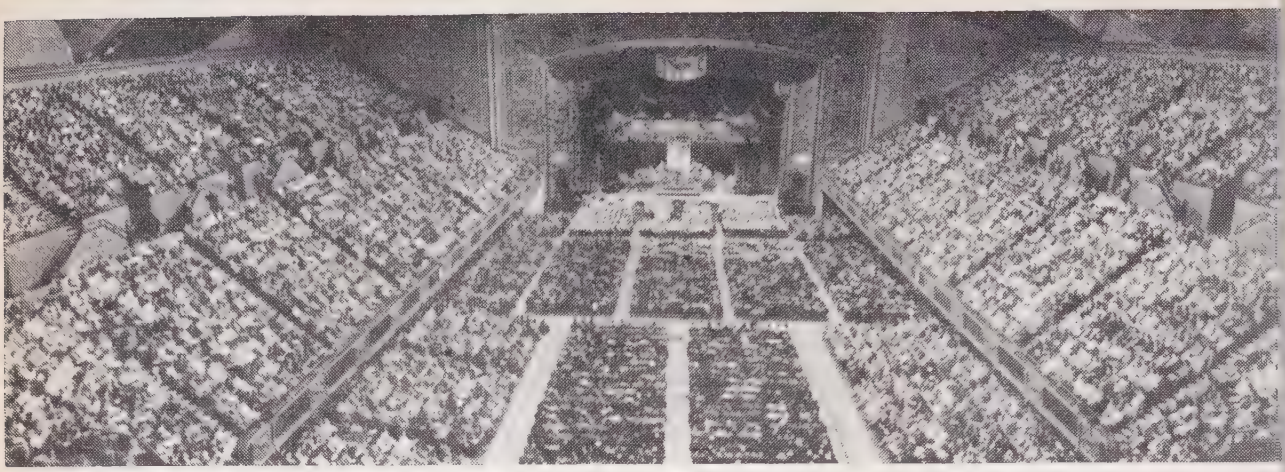
Benagaria—1955

This was Benagaria, where mission work is hard. There is little encouragement, really, and progress is slow. Mission work in a land that has had thousands of years of cultural background, ruts worn deep, and customs that extend back to the time of America's discovery and farther still, where religion is no stranger and religious practices are a part of the regular ordered life of natives, is a hard and arduous task. The difficulty of the work is readily seen when one considers that the mission is directed to an area that includes 20,000,000 natives (Santal and Bengali), and that after eighty-seven years of concentrated effort there is a church that numbers only 30,000 Christians.

Added to the already existing problems others are appearing, gradually, but surely. The attitude of the Nehru government toward foreign missionaries is unsympathetic, almost suspicious. It is becoming increasingly difficult for missionaries, especially from the United States, to obtain renewed visas. The government is beginning to encroach on the mission lands and the mission schools. What policy may be adopted next year, and the year after that when the Nehru government's second five-year plan is well under way, already is a question in the minds of those who are giving their lives for the native soul and life. With a single stroke of a pen the government may wipe out the possibility of future mission work.

Santal, a mission supported freely by mission societies and individuals in Norway, Denmark, and the United States, is working against great odds. The present situation does not hold out the promise of swift success, but on the contrary extends the threat of curtailed effort and a closed door. For this and for other reasons, but most of all because we are Christian people who have heard the words of the Great Commission we have a constant work to do. We have a banner to raise, a cross to lift, a name to glorify. Let us pray that the Lord of the harvest will encourage, strengthen, uphold and bless the missionaries in Santal Parganas, and give them joy in His service and the fruit of service gladly given.

Echoes of the Reformation Festival



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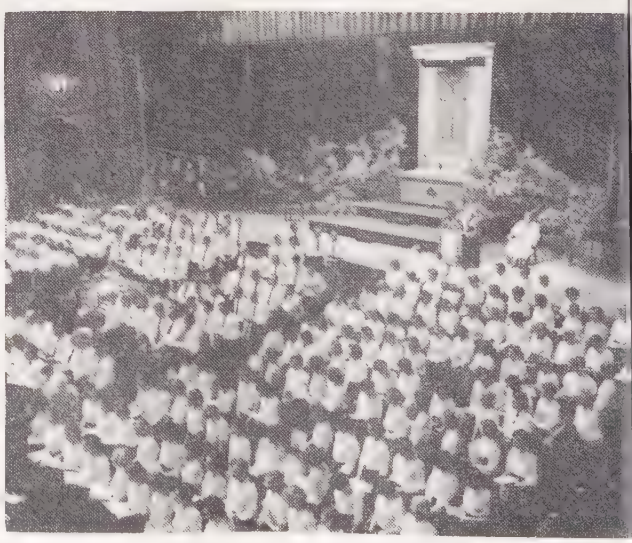
A capacity crowd of nearly 11,000 persons jammed into the Minneapolis Auditorium on Reformation Sunda October 30, to hear Bishop Hanns Lilje of Hannover, Germany deliver the sermon at the Twin City (Minneapo St. Paul) Reformation Festival. An overflow crowd of an additional 2,000 gathered in nearby Central Luther Church, where they heard the address by the president of the Lutheran World Federation over a public addre system. The Festival was sponsored by Twin City congregations of participating bodies in the National Luther Council. This huge auditorium will be the site for the Third Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation schedul to convene in Minneapolis, August 16-25, 1957, and over which Bishop Lilje will preside.

Bishop Hanns Lilje (left), bishop of Hannover, Germany and featured speaker for the Twin City Reformation Festival, held Sunday, October 30, is shown with Dr. Oscar A. Benson, liturgist for the service, of Minneapolis, president of the Augustana Lutheran Church and also president of the National Lutheran Council.



The 600 voice Twin City "Messiah" Chorus, directed by Peter Tkach, participated in the Twin City Reformation Festival wh more than 13,000 gathered to hear a sermon by Bishop Han Lilje, bishop of Hannover, Germany and president of the Luther World Federation.

'hen, O Lord?

Harold B. Kildahl

THE SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT
December 4, 1955
Text: Luke 2:25-36

en, O Lord, shall these things be? When shall the of Man return? When will Thy promises be ful- l? Such are questions that rise within the hearts of who love the Lord's appearing. But no answer is n, no pin-point date is suggested, no immediate sign ovided. Only this we know, IT SHALL BE.

hat's the truly remarkable factor of the Word. It endure—it shall prevail. The Word of the Lord is sure foundation, the ground of certainty on which tand. And it is with comfort that you and I read words of our Lord this day where He says that aven and earth shall pass away but my words shall pass away." In this assurance Christians find their ial security.

it it's a difficult matter to be a Christian. It's difficult old fast to the truth. The world presses in tightly and vds the believer. The attitudes of unbelievers and goals of the non-Christian have a way of diffusing nselves and seeping in upon the consciousness of y man, believer and unbeliever. To watch, to pray, e on guard, to be wary and consistent requires much e than a strong inner resolve. It requires spiritual tude and spiritual stamina which can only be found he eternal Word of God.

herefore, Christian, be not over-concerned about signs and the wonders that shall mark the coming he Lord. Be not given to speculation or to saying "Lo, Christ is here, Lo, Christ is there," for these gs are hidden in the bosom of the Lord. Rather, be erned with your daily Christian life. Be concerned the strength of your faith, and the practice of faith in deeds of love. Be concerned with sharpen- your hope and strengthening the tie that binds your t to the Spirit of the Lord. Be concerned with your ship, your prayer, and the nourishment of your soul he Word of God. In these things there is vast cause concern if you would keep the world at a distance, preserve your soul from destruction.

'hen, O Lord? This is a question we are not priv- d to ask, really—for no answer will be given. ner, you and I, the Christians of today, the Christian rch in life and action just now ought to be con- ed with the question: "Will I be accounted worthy scape?" And we will—we will if we are found ful when Christ comes again. Your life, friend, life today—let it be strong in the strength of the l, and in the power of His Word, which shall ure eternally. Amen.

The New Christmas Filmstrip Is Here

Film Librarian, ELC Films

In Bethlehem's Manger is the title of the new filmstrip accepted by our Parish Education Department for your children's Christmas program this year. It is in full color and has 71 speaking parts which can be combined to make any number suitable for your needs. The filmstrip content is set up in four parts. The first section shows how little children and their families worship at Christmas time and why; next, the story of Christ's birth is beautifully and simply illustrated; the third part is the worship of the Wise Men and the concern of Herod the king who sends the Wise Men to Jerusalem to find the Child; lastly, we are brought back to the gifts given at Christmas with the emphasis on God's gift to us in Jesus Christ. This filmstrip will form a beautiful background as once again the nativity story comes to life through the children of the Church. This 39-frame filmstrip with program booklet sells for $5.00. Extra program booklets cost .07c each, .72c a dozen, $5.00 a hundred.

We have several other filmstrip programs of this type in our library. Many of you may have used one or more of them in previous years. Some of these are *Gather 'Round the Christmas Tree,* the filmstrip which uses a Christmas tree motif as it traces the star at the top of the tree back to the manger in Bethlehem, the outspread branches of the tree back to the cross and the candles back to the promises of God that a light would come into the world. In the center frames the familiar stories about the manger, shepherds, and wise men show that the light has come. This colored filmstrip is best used with age groups junior and above. It sells for $5.00 and is accompanied by a program booklet. Extra booklets for this strip sell as indicated above.

Others available through our library are *O Holy Night, And on Earth Peace, Christmas Joys, Emmanuel* and *Joy to the World.*

If you are interested in a filmstrip for a worship service rather than a children's program, may we suggest either *Christmas Around the World,* filmstrip and record $10.00 or *Holy Night* filmstrip and record $15.00. Both in color, these filmstrips are also available on a rental basis for $2.50 per showing.

ELC Films
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Minneapolis, Minnesota
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Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. H

TOWARD THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

The Epistle: I Corinthians 4:1-5

The Gospel: Matthew

Monday, December 5
YOU HAVE TO ANSWER

Read I Corinthians 4:1-5

Moreover it is required of stewards that they be found trustworthy.

One thing about being a Christian is that you can't make a game out of life. You can't do as you please anymore. You can't run away from things. The reason for all this is that as a Christian you are also a steward and you have to answer God as to just how you handled your assignment. Being "servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God" is a high privilege, but it makes us responsible.

How am I carrying it out? Is God using me in some way to forward the Kingdom? This personality of mine, am I letting God use it to lead others to Christ? Everything God has put into my hands; is a worthy share of it finding its way into God's service?

God depends on each of us to be good stewards. His love should call us to faithful service. What better cause can anyone serve?

Let me answer Thy love with a life of happy service to Thee, O God. Amen.

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Tuesday, December 6
PREPARATIONS

Read Luke 3:15-18

So, with many other exhortations, he preached good news to the people.

John the Baptist was sent to make the way ready just before Christ came onto the scene. To do this he could be no "easy-going dandy" who saw to it that everybody was comfortable and nobody's feelings were stepped on. To the contrary, he had to make people uncomfortable and he had to step on a lot of toes. He was sent to make people ready to receive Christ.

Christ was good news. But before John could tell the good news there had to be created in the people the *need* of good news. For that reason he exhorted the people. He told them in plain language that they were in need of a Savior.

To this day it is the same. Human hearts, like soil, have to be plowed and worked before the seed of the Gospel can be sown. And even after we have taken Christ as our Savior, we need to keep the heart worked with a whole lifetime of penitence. Christ abides with and blesses those who are prepared.

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Wednesday, December
THE LAMP

Read II Peter 1:19-21

You will do well to pay atte this as to a lamp shining in a da

No one can get along very we dark. Especially if you find yo strange territory. You stumble, hurt, you are lost. If the darkr are wandering around in is the s gets your soul lost, then it is indeed. And that's what Peter "A dark place." The whole Bi this world a dark place. There is deal of artificial lighting but it's of light that leaves darkness just the same.

That is why God put the Lig It's like a lamp. "Keep your that," Peter is saying, "and yo lose your way in this dark place

Many stories have been told ab ple making their way toward which at last brings them to safety is the Light of the World. Those not lose sight of Him walk sa come at last to the heavenly hom is the Lamp unto our feet.

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Thursday, December 8
UNBROKEN CHAIN

Read Matthew 11:11-15

"For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John."

God had accomplished marvelous things for the sake of humanity. All through the Old Testament He saw to it that there would be men to keep the people from wandering away from faith in Him. At certain times, especially when there was a crisis, He would raise a prophet to speak for Him. There was an unbroken chain of witnesses. And this continued until the time of John the Baptist whose privilege it was to point directly to Christ who stood in his very midst.

Since the time of Christ God has again been watchful that there should be an unbroken chain in witness to His truth. When we think back over the centuries of history, we must agree that it is a miracle of God's Holy Spirit that He has led sinful man to believe. Every generation has had its believers.

Today, you and I are a part of that chain. Let us give good witness to those who are growing up in our midst.

Friday, December 9
WHO CAN STAND?

Read Malachi 3:1-4

"But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears?"

This passage from Malachi is one of the most beautiful prophecies concerning the advent of Christ. But it also strikes a note of warning. It presents Christ as a judge. "He is like a refiner's fire and like fuller's soap." Truthfully, the coming of Christ is a glorious event, but it is an awful event, as well. That is why Malachi asks, "Who can endure?" and "Who can stand?"

Those who know the love of God in Christ know the answer to these questions. Those who are forgiven shall be able to stand. Those who are willing to confess that in themselves there is no good thing and that only what God has done for them through Christ can save them. Those who look for the coming of the Lord shall be able to stand.

When shall these things take place? My readiness must be now. I must not delay. Christ will not delay in His coming. It may be soon.

Saturday, December 10
PIN-POINTED

Read Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the Tiberius Caesar . . . the word came to John. . . .

Luke is very careful to pin-p time the ministry of John took p mentions the names of all the peo occupied the high positions in th of Church and State. Right at th in history the work of John beg that was the official ushering in ministry of Christ.

There is another pin-pointin occurs in any person's life in co with salvation. Certain conditio to be met. John speaks of them quotes Isaiah. "Prepare ye the the Lord, make his paths straigh not any as-you-would-have-it ro Christ will travel on, it must be made ready to His orders. Salv possible only on the condition repentance and faith.

Make right, O Lord, the way salvation of all people, that th eternally glorify Thy Name. Amen

LDING PLANS FOR OLAF COLLEGE

application for a million dollar n was recently approved by the gov- ment for construction of two dor- ories at St. Olaf College. Plans for h buildings are fairly complete ugh contracts have not yet been let. lege officials hope to have the build- s ready for the 1956-1957 school r. The girls dormitory will house and will constitute an addition to north end of Hilleboe Hall. The s dormitory will be located west of orson Hall and will house 168 men. imated cost of the two buildings is 070,000.

ast Hall, which is under construc- n, is an addition to the art building, will house eighty girls. The cen- l part will be used for art classrooms eventually when dormitory space ows, the west end will be used for ice space and the rooms in the cen- l part for classrooms. Completion te has been tentatively set for the st of the year.

JGUSTANA COLLEGE AUGURATES PROGRAM F ADULT EDUCATION

ugustana College has taken a dra- tic step to provide additional educa- nal services to Sioux Falls and sur- unding communities this fall, with the launching of a new program in Adult Education.

The program was instituted to meet the needs of businessmen, teachers, homemakers, and individuals with or without previous college experience.

Approximately 131 people have enrolled in these night classes, proving the need is adequate for promotion of the plan.

The Adult Education Program is designed to fulfill the requirements of individuals who wish to complete the curriculum for a college degree, who need more training to perform better the jobs in which they are now situated or for advancement in their present work, and for those who desire to keep informed on current events for the purpose of broadening their cultural, business, professional, or vocational interests.

The following courses have been scheduled: Art in the Home, Audio Visual Aids, Personnel Relations, Children's Literature, Tests and Measurements, American History, Public Speaking, Principles of Sociology, Civil Aeronautics, and Creative Writing.

CONCORDIA CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATES SET

The Concordia Christmas concerts which will be given Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, December 9, 10, and 11, in the Concordia College Fieldhouse have become a part of the Christmas tradition in the Upper Midwest. Paul J. Christiansen, director of music, Betty Strand, acting head of the art department, and Art Sanden, superintendent of buildings and grounds, constitute the team that plans the concerts with the aid of students, faculty, and staff.

With as many as 14,000 people attending, the admission is by ticket only, but the tickets may be secured free of charge by writing to Kurt J. Wycisk, music administrator, at Concordia College.

LUTHER COLLEGE TO PRESENT "MESSIAH"

Over 400 Luther College students attended the initial chorus rehearsal for Handel's "Messiah" to be presented December 10 and 11 on the campus.

Professor Weston H. Noble will direct the 52nd annual Christmas presentation, the largest all-student production of the year.

Eight student soloists who will sing are as follows: Kenneth Anderson, River Falls, Wis.; Harvin Christen, Decorah, Iowa; Karen Fortune, Sioux Rapids, Iowa; Glenda Landsgaard, St. Olaf, Iowa; Joe Noble, Riceville, Iowa; Walter Scarvie, Detroit, Mich; June Tesch, St. Ansgar, Iowa; and Reginald Torrison, Reedsville, Wis.

ARTIST'S SKETCH OF ADDITION TO ART BUILDING AT ST. OLAF

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M.

GUESTS OF CHURCH WOMEN

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Mrs. George Sembeguya of Uganda, East Africa (left), and Mrs. Esther Jawahir Masih of Pakistan are shown on their arrival in New York by plane to attend the seventh national assembly of the United Church Women in Cleveland, Ohio, November 8-10. They are two of three specially invited guests of the UCM, a general department of the National Council of Churches.

HUDDLESTON ORDERED TO ENGLAND

Father Trevor Huddleston, head of the (Anglican) Community of the Resurrection in South Africa for the past 12 years, has been ordered back to England in January by his religious superiors for another assignment. He has been an outspoken foe of the South African government's segregation policies.

Shortly after the new assignment was made known, Father Huddleston delivered a sermon at St. Mary's Cathedral in Johannesburg which was broadcast over the South African Broadcasting Corporation network. Before the broadcast he was warned by the network that "all political topics must be avoided." His message attacked conditions in the country and the policies of the government on the basis that these were religious topics and not solely political.

"Apartheid (segregation) is the basic denial that a man can have a neighbor at all," Father Huddleston said. "It is the refusal of God's plan and purpose. It is blasphemy. The curse of South Africa is that it is rich and, from its position of pomp and privilege and power, has become a 'Dives.'" The judgment passed by Christ upon Dives, the rich man who did not care for the poor, was that he could have no relief in all eternity. We would do well to heed this judgment in view of the appalling inequality that exists in every city and town in the Union, the comfort and security of the whites, and the hunger and insecurity that are the curse of blackness."

NORTHWESTERN STUDENTS

Students at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, have asked the school's administrative officers to refrain from requesting religious data from prospective students. The *Daily Northwestern,* student publication, in an editorial urged President J. Roscoe Miller and the administration to "comply promptly with the student governing board's request that religious information be removed from the university's application for admission."

Leaders of campus religious groups use the data to contact students according to the preference they state. The editorial said that removal of the religious question from student ap tions "would be a step that coul hance greatly Northwestern's re tion as a free university." Last s the student governing board sen Miller a letter urging that reli questions be dropped, or that ligious information blank be sen dents with answers optional.

WARNS AGAINST BEING "WELL-ADJUSTED"

I don't want to be well-adjusted, Robert E. Goodrich of Dallas, T told a religious emphasis week ence at Columbia College, Meth institution for women at Columb C. He said, "This may sound heresy on a modern college ca when one of the goals of modern cation is to make every student adjusted." He deplored education cesses which deprive a person o individuality and promote "mass justment."

Dr. Goodrich recalled that Mos fused to adjust to the status quo "as a maladjusted personality lec children out of Egyptian bon Abraham was so maladjusted t times in which he lived that he

NEW CHURCH IN CARACAS

NLC Photo

The new Lutheran Church of the Resurrection (background) and parish house (foregro of the growing Lutheran Center in Caracas, Venezuela, are nearing completion. parish house was dedicated on Reformation Sunday. The church, although not dedicated, has been in use since the first Sunday in September. Also in use is a boa school belonging to the million-bolivar Lutheran Center which will later include parso for the pastors of the multi-lingual congregation.

compromise his convictions to ad-
" He said that if we try to fit our-
es into a mold, "we are violating
t God intended, and in the end we
not being ourselves and not being
est."

AKERS STILL OPPOSE PITAL PUNISHMENT

ikers from five continents went on
rd at Germantown, Ohio, as re-
ming the Friends' historic opposi-
to capital punishment anywhere
ne world. The opposition to capital
ishment is believed to be the first
ial stand on the question by the
dwide body. It will take the form
"minute" to the Yearly Meetings
gesting that they also reaffirm the
ker position.

We believe no one has the right to
life but God," said James F.
ker of Philadelphia, secretary of
committee's American section.
ere is always a chance of the mis-
iage of justice. Besides, the soul of
an condemned to death might be
iimed."

RNS AGAINST UMENICAL HERESY"

warning against the danger of a
heresy in Christianity, "the ecu-
ical heresy," was sounded by Dr.
h Douglas Hyslop, newly-inaugu-
l professor of Ecumenical Studies
Union Theological Seminary. "The
nenical heresy may well be the
iction that the reunion of the
rch is the supreme good in the
moment in history when the su-
ne need is for its rebirth," he said.
asserted that the most tempting
t of this heresy is the suggestion
the two are the same.

he growth of unity is not a plan
an achievement of the churches,
Hyslop said. "As He who created
Church remains through His in-
lling of it the Church's only Lord,
he oneness of His people is and
ins the manifestation of His Lord-
They are one with us who are
with Him, and He is, by divine
made one with all mankind."

We are one with Christ in the re-
otion of the world," he asserted,
in the achievement of a better
ring of our own ecclesiastical af-
No mighty force moves through the world solely because the churches naming Christ as God and Savior come to know each other better. It is not even clear that the issuing of this better understanding in organic union of churches is proof that the power of the Gospel here becomes visible to men."

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Protestant churches in the U. S. spend more than $1,000,000,000 annually to provide health and welfare services for 11,000,000 persons. Nearly 500,000 doctors, nurses, case workers, and others carry on welfare work in nearly 3,000 church-related agencies and institutions. A study by Dr. William J. Villaume, executive director of the department of social welfare, National Council of Churches, has produced this information. . . . The National Association of Evangelicals has asked the State Department to investigate the reported beating and serious wounding of an American Protestant missionary in Colombia. According to the NAE the Rev. Julius A. DeGruyter of Charleston, W. Va., was attacked by two uniformed police on a highway near Guamal, and he is now hospitalized in Bogota with a double fracture of the skull.

ANOTHER HONOR FOR DR. SCHWEITZER

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Dr. Albert Schweitzer, 80-year-old medical missionary, theologian, musician and author, relaxes on a train ride after his arrival in England where he received a rare honor from Queen Elizabeth II. He was invested with the insignia of an Honorary Member of the Order of Merit at a ceremony in Buckingham Palace. Only two living non-Britons are now honorary members of the order, one of the most restricted the British monarch can bestow. The other is President Eisenhower. Dr. Schweitzer, winner of the 1952 Nobel Peace Prize, came to London from Alsace, France, where he was spending the summer.

CHURCH DRAMATISTS

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Three members of the Commission on Drama, National Council of Churches, are greeted at its annual meeting by Norris Houghton, chairman of the commission (right). Left to right are: Francis Fergusson, professor of drama, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.; Prof. Harold Ehrensperger of the creative arts department, Boston University School of Theology; and Mrs. Henry P. Van Dusen of New York, wife of Dr. Henry P. Van Dusen, president of Union Theological Seminary. The 50-member commission is a unit of the National Council's Department of Worship and the Arts.

Christmas Mail for Your Missionaries

Christmas mail for your missionaries must be mailed soon to reach them before Christmas. There is nothing as heart-warming for a missionary as a good pile of Christmas mail from friends at home. If you send cards don't just sign your name, write a personal note; it means so much more.

Here is an approximate time schedule for mailing and the addresses of your missionaries on the field. Airmail postage to all of these countries is 25c per half ounce, except to Colombia which is 10c per half ounce and to France which is 15c per half ounce.

Regular mail: 8c per oz. to all countries, 4c per each additional oz.

Parcel post: Inquire at your postoffice. Parcel post packages must be well packed, plainly addressed, marked "gift, not for resale," and should not exceed 11 pounds weight.

We would recommend periodicals of various types for missionaries as very acceptable Christmas greetings.

To	Airmail	First Class regular mail	Parcel post
Formosa	8 days	45 days	45 days
Hongkong	6 days	40 days	40 days
Japan	5 days	30 days	30 days
Colombia	4 days	15 days	25 days
Madagascar	10 days	40 days	60 days
So. Africa	7 days	35 days	40 days
Sudan	6 days	30 days	35 days
Tanganyika	7 days	35 days	40 days
Indonesia	10 days	40 days	60 days

China

Hong Kong

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Martinson, Miss Cora, Tao Fong Shan, Shatin, Hong Kong

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Peterson, Miss Clara, 33 Granville Road, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Skinsnes, Dr. and Mrs. Olaf, 209 Manitou, Northfield, Minn.

Formosa

(Taiwan)

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Helland, Rev. and Mrs. Erling, 29 Ling Chung Road, Kaohsiung, Taiwan

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Ministry of Music

Oscar R. Ov

To help evaluate the contributions which a full- minister of music can make to the life and spiri a congregation, we shall continue the survey of work schedule. Most of us may know him prima as the choir director, and also as organist on Sun mornings—both important assignments when we rea that over fifty percent of the worship service may musically concerned. But if we follow him more clo we shall find that his whole week is loaded appointments. He is required to be a real studen hymnology and liturgical practices, of theology current events. He must be able to suggest appropr hymns for every occasion, purpose, and subject ma A vast organ literature challenges his taste and s of fitness. He is expected to be an authority on org and organ installations. Music is involved in every tivity of the congregation, so he has to keep to with all events and seasons. In the church schools H prepared with workable schedules, ways and me hymns and methods to meet the demands of a child nurture program.

Constant alertness, adaptability, and devotion to c will characterize the successful minister of music. lights will burn late in the night when he has to s a hundred possible choir anthems to find one or that may qualify. When found, each anthem has to memorized, phrased, marked for rehearsal, absorb The esthetic-spiritual message has to be gleaned, a lyzed, and conditioned for public performance. T niques have to become automatic so that the interpr tion may take on spontaneity and character. The lea has to possess the know-how and the inspiration be these can be transmitted to the singers.

With four or more choirs on his hands the mini of music will rarely have an evening at home. life, in a way, is a continuous rehearsal; and rehear usually are strenuous, physically and emotionally. De lines keep his ingenuity on the alert. Listless choirs h to be whipped into shape in a brief hour, be prepa to speak for the Holy Spirit, to carry a congrega to the very gates of heaven. This work, of course, has moments of inspiration and reward; when the ch young and old, begin to catch the vision of their lea begin to tune up, it will be as if a new dawn were break upon the whole community.

Assistants will be necessary. These the minister music will train to spearhead the work in their resp tive organizations. He himself will be present as o as possible to teach current hymns, activate talent, help people to aspire.

ONS

Rev. Edgars Kiploks, a Latvian belonging to The Evangelical ran Church, is serving as evan- pastor to Latvians scattered ghout the North Central States. of these are members of local ran churches, but feel greatly in f at least occasional services in n. Audiences vary from about wn to 10 or 15, according to the r of Latvians living in the local- isited.

Rev. A. Parnell Nelson, for the ree and one half years superin- t of the United Temperance of South Dakota, with head- rs in Mitchell, has accepted a ffective Dec. 1, to the rural St. Peter parish, Beresford, S.

Alf Johnsen, general assistant to aff of Bethesda Home for the Chicago, died Sept. 16th, in his ear. He was a member of the Board of Pensions, and a number rs ago he was one of the organ- of the Chicago Circuit Brother- and served as its first president.

Rev. Alexander Thompson be- the pastor of the Nome-Fingal in North Dakota on Nov. 10; dress is Box 384, Fargo, N. Dak.

Rev. Palmer S. Olson, formerly at Provost, Alta., is now pastor Kyle parish in Saskatchewan.

Rev. Leon A. Holm, Witten- Wis., will by Jan. 1 move to his

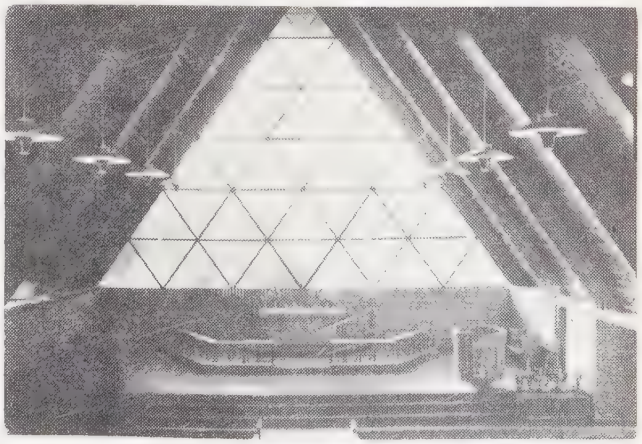
NEW CENTRAL MINNESOTA PARSONAGE

The roomy new parsonage shown in the accompanying picture belongs to Our Saviour's Church, Montevideo, Minn., and was dedicated by District President Reinertson Oct. 16. The parish, served by the Rev. Grant V. Sorenson, has had 400 accessions in about a year's time.

NEW PARSONAGE IN WESTERN MINNESOTA PARISH

The new parsonage in the Drywood-Trinity parish, located in Alberta, Minn., was dedicated Oct. 2 by District President Reinertson. The Rev. Donald O. Borlaug is pastor of the parish.

WAHPETON, N. DAK., HAS UNIQUE CHURCH



o accompanying pictures show the exterior of the new church edifice of Bethel congregation in Wahpeton, N. Dak. (with a the Educational building to the right), and of the interesting chancel of the church. It was dedicated Sunday afternoon, h, by Dr. L. E. Tallakson, president of the North Dakota District. Guest preacher at the forenoon service was the Rev. J. Melvin the Concordia College faculty, Moorhead, Minn. The Rev. P. A. Gisvold has been the pastor of Bethel parish since 1935.

new parish, First Lutheran Church, Onalaska, Wis.

The Rev. N. E. Nelson, Elkhorn, Wis., has accepted a call to a Home Mission congregation in Bakersfield, Calif.

The Rev. H. J. Rasmussen, Sr., Northfield, Minn., who for 36 years was pastor at Blooming Prairie, Minn., was honored Nov. 6 at a dinner, held at Faribault, by his former parishioners, the occasion being his 83rd birthday.

The Rev. A. Reuben Gornitzka, pastor of Our Savior's Church, Milwaukee, Wis., since 1944, has accepted a call to the senior pastorate in Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minn., and will begin his work there about the middle of February.

The Rev. O. L. Bolstad, Brainerd, Minn., is serving as interim pastor at Alexandria, N. Dak.

The Rev. Stewart Dale, recent pastor of Bethany Church for the Deaf, Minneapolis, is now with the Lutheran Braille Evangelical Association of Minneapolis.

DISTRICTS

Eastern

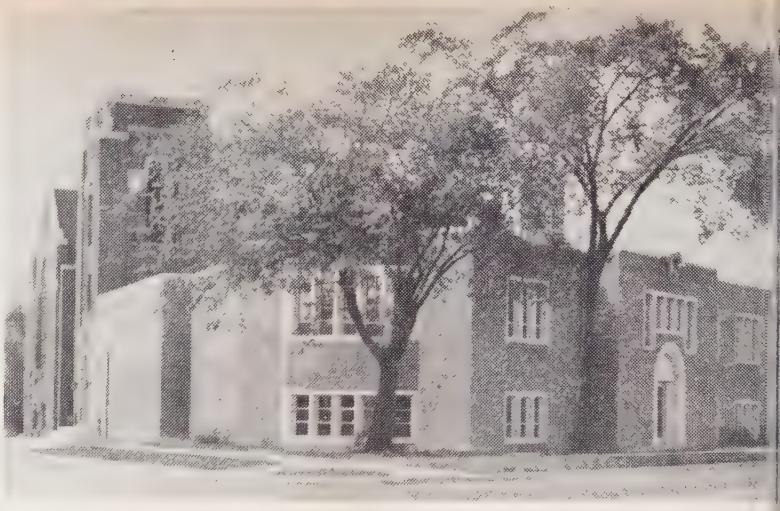
Milwaukee, Wis. An extensive write-up about Our Savior's Church in the November issue of "The Milwaukee Lutheran" gives the information that the total attendance at Sunday services has risen from an average of 985 while the congregation worshiped in its old church, to 2,400 after the congregation moved into its new church on Wisconsin Avenue in the spring of 1954. Evening services have an average attendance of 750, a fact worthy of special note at a time when evening services are rare occurrences. Senior pastor of Our Savior's Church is the Rev. A. Reuben Gornitzka.

Southern Minnesota

Crystal, Minn. St. James is the name of a new Home Mission congregation recently started in this Minneapolis suburb; its first service was held Sept. 18, with an attendance of 326. On Oct. 30 the cornerstone for the first unit of the new church of the congregation was laid by the pastor, the Rev. P. B. Wold, assisted by three lay members of the new parish. The church has a Sunday school enrollment of 258.

Boyd, Minn. Trinity Church, parish of the Rev. Calvin Berg, held a mission festival Nov. 6th. Guest speakers

CHURCH PICTURES FROM MICHIGAN METROPOLIS



The story of the dedication Oct. 16th of the new $250,000 Educational and Activities Building of St. Olaf Church, Detroit, Mich., has already been told in the news section of "Lutheran Herald." Shown in this issue are two pictures of the building: one general exterior view, the other a picture of the building's unusual cc which is from the venerable Nida dral, Trondheim, Norway, and the sea because of efforts on t St. Olaf's pastor, the Rev. Walt vie, while on a visit to Norway ago.

CALIFORNIA PASTORS MEET AT APPLE VALLEY

The annual conference of pastors belonging to the California District met th the desert resort of Apple Valley near Victorville, California. There were eighty participants. Dr. Alvin N. Rogness, president of Luther Theological Seminary gave three lectures on the general theme, "The Pastor and His Preachi speakers were: Dr. Gaylerd Falde and Pastors H. G. Loddigs, A. H. Hetl Storvick, S. D. Disrud, Walter Gravrock, and O. H. Hove, ELC general secret

Mrs. E. Huso, Cottonwood, ., and the Rev. Jennings Feroe, kato. The latter gave an illustrated re about his recent visit to mission

okio, Minn. Zion Church (ELC) St. Paul Church (ALC) have ed into one congregation, named Savior's. It will be independent of lical affiliations until after the h merger now under preparation. r of the new church is the Rev. ord Dirksen (ALC).

Central

ke, Iowa. Dr. J. A. Aasgaard was preacher at a mission festival e of Zion Church Nov. 20th. church is being temporarily d by the Rev. R. E. Sorensen be- he begins graduate study in Oak- Calif.; while he will be thus en- d he will serve as assistant pastor Central Lutheran Church in the named.

oux City, Iowa. Morningside rch, parish of the Rev. Geo. P. on, held a groundbreaking service, 6 on a seven and one half acre where its new $285,000 church ding is to be erected. Completion e edifice is expected within a year.

n Dakota

snabrock, N. Dak. On Oct. 30 the erstone of the new church being by Dovre Church of the Milton- brock parish was laid. Later in the after a fellowship supper, the Lu- film was shown and a "Lord's " offering for the building fund received. The Rev. G. M. Van nik is the pastor of this parish.

ilton, N. Dak. Milton Church of Milton-Osnabrock parish dedicated ewly built Fellowship Hall Nov. 6, nnection with the observance of congregation's harvest festival.

eene, N. Dak. First Lutheran rch, the oldest Christian congre- n in McKenzie County, celebrated ftieth anniversary Oct. 30. Guest kers were: the Rev. Waldo Ellick- Albany, Oregon, a son of the con- ation, and the Rev. Albin Sherve, hwood, N. Dak., a former pastor e Keene parish. The Rev. Harold old is the present pastor.

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The Rev. Olaf R. Svore

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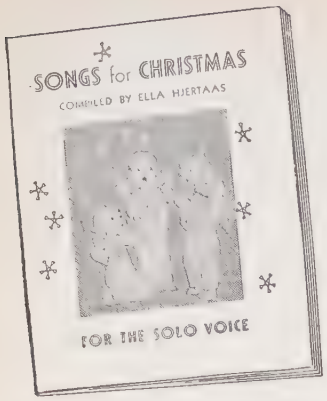

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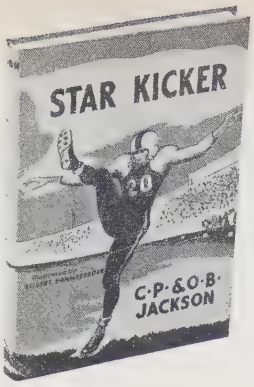

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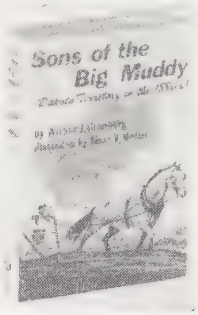

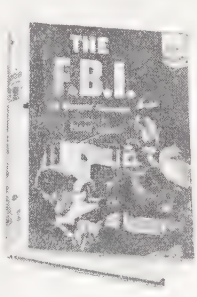

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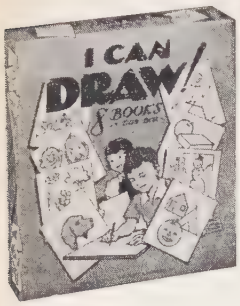

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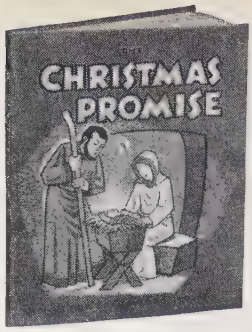

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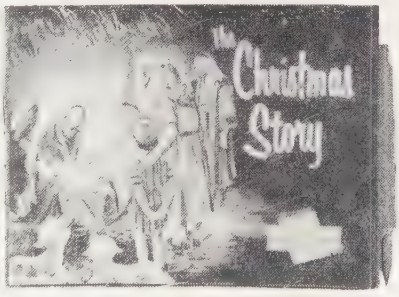

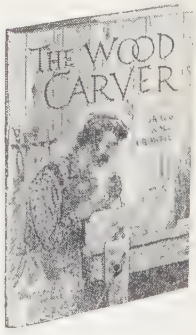

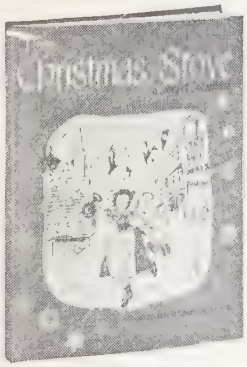

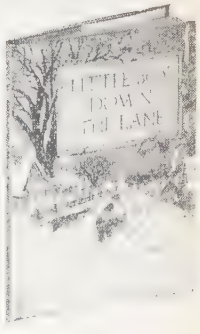

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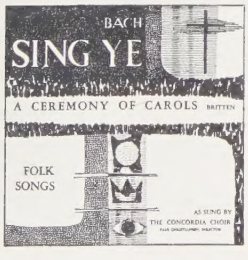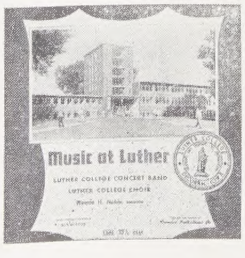
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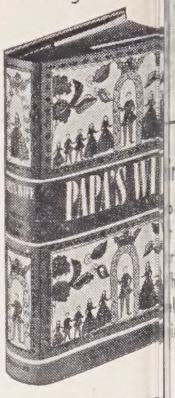

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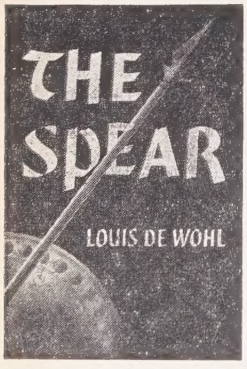

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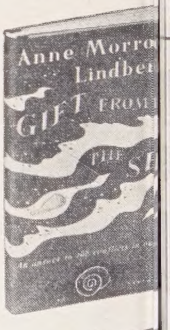

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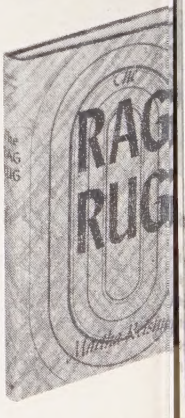

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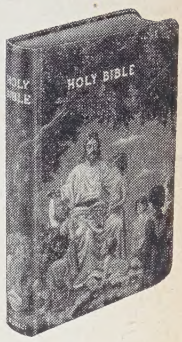

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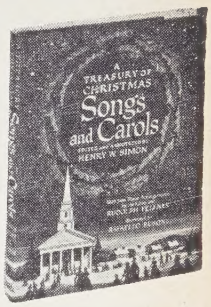

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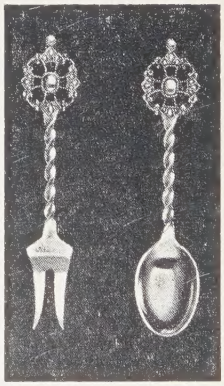

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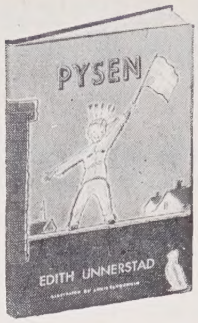

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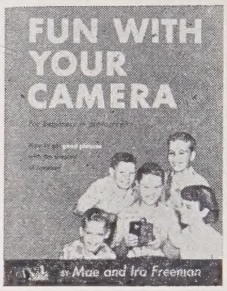

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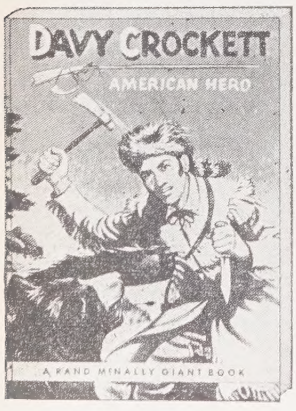

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